



First Lutheran Church and School

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, August 10th, 2025

As Great Commission disciples of Jesus Christ, we will make disciples by
Growing Up...Reaching Out...and Walking Together with Jesus.

We will ***Grow Up*** by attaining to the full measure of
Jesus Christ through ***Worship*** and ***Teaching/Learning***.

Pastor:

Rev. Joseph Highley

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Pastor's Office Hours

Mon. 9-12, Tues. 10:30-12

Wed. 10:30-12, Thur. 9:30-11

Elders on Duty:

Jason Heitman

Mark Kremeier

Music Director:

Chris Schelp

Altar Guild on Duty:

Barbara Mayer, Ch.

Sarah Davis

Jan Pinnegar

Acolyte:

Addie Vaughan

Attendance

August 3rd - 135

Sunday – 9:00am – Divine Service

FLS Open House

Monday – 1:00pm - LBW (YH)

6:30pm – Scouts (YH)

Tuesday – 8:30am – Coffee with Jesus (FH)

8:30am – Men's Bible Study (BR)

9:30am – Cup of Joe (FH)

1:30pm – LBW (YH)

6:30pm – Council (FH)

Wednesday – 7:00am – PBJ

8:30am – Chapel

5:30pm – FLY (YH)

Thursday – 9:00am – Matins

9:30am – Ladies Bible Study (FH)

2:00pm – XYZ

4:30pm – LBW (YH)

7:00pm – YALL (YH)

Friday –

Saturday –

Sunday – 9:00am – Divine Service

10:30am – Sunday School

FH – Fellowship Hall BR – Board Room YH – Youth House

Education Opportunities at First Lutheran

Adult Sunday School.....Pastor Highley.....Sunday 10:30 am (FH)

1John

FLY Sunday School.....Rachell Highley.....Sunday 10:30 am (BR)

Children's Sunday School.....Sunday 10:30 am (GYM)

Koinonia Group.....1st & 3rd Monday 7:00 pm (FH)

“Respectable Sins – Where Do We Go from Here?”

Men's Bible Study.....Don Klein.....Tuesday 8:30 am (Chris Mudd's house)

“The Chosen” Season 5

Coffee with Jesus.....Rachell Highley.....Tuesday 8:30 am (FH)

“He Calls Me Loved”

Thursday LBS.....Rachell Highley.....Thursday 9:30am (FH)

John

YALL.....Jennifer Heitman.....Thursday 7:00 pm (YH)

We will ***Reach Out*** by inviting those who do not know Jesus Christ as their personal Savior, Lord, and Friend into a personal relationship with Him through ***Witnessing*** and by ministering to the human needs of people in our local community through lives of ***Service***.



Open House

and

MEET THE TEACHERS

Sunday, August 10th

All are welcome to join us for divine service and
blessing of the backpacks at 9am!

Classroom visits will directly follow service.

Picnic for all at 11:00 am in the cafeteria



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Thursday, August 14th

@ 2:00pm

A Worship Group for Seniors

We will ***Walk Together*** by forming deep and abiding relationships with people in our Church/School community through ***Stewarding*** and ***Fellowshipping*** activities organized and designed for the mutual uplifting and consolation of the Saints of FLCS.

Faithful *Stewards*

Luke 12:24 – “Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them.” God feeds the birds of the air, this we know. It’s just that, as one wit put it: God sometimes feeds the birds....to the cats! Yes, crosses and hardships will always come — Christ said that no disciple is above his Master. But through it all, the Lord cares for us and He calls upon us to entrust ourselves to that care. He really is our Father, and He really will guard and keep us through whatever this life has to throw at us. And in the end, we shall receive the gift of eternal life.

BLESSINGS ON YOUR STEWARDSHIP JOURNEY!!

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Bring supplies to help the LWML make kits for Lutheran World Relief.

Items highlighted are needed the most!

Spiral notebooks, ruler, pencil sharpener, blunt scissors, unsharpened pencils, black or blue ballpoint pens, 24 box of crayons, pink eraser.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The arrangement is from Kathy Brockhoff in joyful celebration of the LeBaron’s 50th wedding anniversary.

Mellanie grew up in a German community in the Oklahoma panhandle. (She is a lot tougher than she looks.) Jerry and his bride were married at St. Paul’s Lutheran in Darrouzett, TX by Rev. Arlyn J. Hausmann. Mellanie had white chrysanthemum and carnation for her flowers with blue and green wedding colors.

Thanks be to God for 50 years living out their covenant marriage! Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. Proverbs 3:3 (NIV)

General Announcements

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Thursday 8am – 3pm

**closed for lunch Noon-1:00*

BACK TO SCHOOL KITS The LWML is collecting school supplies for Lutheran World Relief. If you would like to help us and support the LWML please purchase any of the items listed, or you can also make a free will donation to “school kits” and the LWML will purchase what is needed. The church is tax exempt so if the LWML does the shopping no tax is paid.

LWML MITE MISSION GOAL 2025-2027 At our 2025 National Convention in Omaha, the LWML voted on a total goal of \$2,622,270.00. This goal is for 2025-2027. We will have a Mite box in the narthex every Sunday to collect mites to help us reach our goal. Dig in the couch cushions, or in the floor of the car and start collecting your change to help support our missions and missionaries around the world.

RALLY DAY You are invited to an Ice Cream Party on Saturday, September 6, from 10 to 12. All kids from 3 years old thru 6th grade are invited. It will be held at the First Lutheran Church in the Fellowship Hall. There will be games and an ice cream sundae bar, with cookies! We would love for the parents to attend with their kids, if possible. This is our fall kick-off for Sunday School. Come join the FUN, and learn about Sunday School! We hope to see you there!

Hymn Corner

“Christ is Our Cornerstone” (LSB 912)

(main text by Robert A. Sorensen)

Director of Music, Chris Schelp

This hymn is taken from a longer Latin composition entitled "Urbs beata Hierusalem" ("Jerusalem, blessed city"), which dates to about the eighth century. Our oldest sources for this anonymous text are a handful of tenth- and eleventh-century manuscripts preserved in Britain, Spain, and France. "Christ is Our Cornerstone" is not based upon the whole original Latin text, but only its second half; already in the Middle Ages, these stanzas had been separated from the full text and sung as a hymn by themselves. There is another English translation of these same stanzas that is widely known: "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" (LSB 909). Unless one knows that both derive from a common source, however, it is not at all obvious that they are from the same original. "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" retains the meter of the Latin poem; "Christ is Our Cornerstone" does not.



Next Gen News

For the Lord is good; His steadfast loves endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations. - Psalms 101:5

getCONNECTED

Jennifer Heitman NextGen Coordinator

nextgen@flcspc.com



Cup of Joe with Pastor Joe

Tuesday at 9:30am
Fellowship Hall

*Bring your questions about life, sports, faith,
theology, and anything in between!*



SAXXON DANE LORETT

GOD SPEED, SOLDIER.
YOU GO WITH OUR PRAYERS AND GODS
PROMISES.

"BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS.
DO NOT BE AFRAID... FOR THE LORD
YOUR GOD GOES WITH YOU."

— DEUTERONOMY 31:6

Sermon Notes

Hebrews 11:1-16

Faith Receives...

Christ's Righteousness



We're glad you're here! Help us to keep accurate records. Please sign in through this QR code, or use the red book in the pew to record your attendance. Thank you!



Share the good news

Have any news to share with us?
We'd love to hear! Email us at secretary@flcspc.com
or call us at (580)762-1111.
**Please send announcements in by 8:00am Wednesday mornings.*

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Prayers for Our Church

Heavenly Father, forgive us for the selfish divisions we have brought to Your Church and world.
Unite us by Your Spirit so we walk with the grace of Christ. In His name, Amen



Those with chronic illness and their families: Rachel Hawkins, Britney Duff, Becky May, Marietta Kengle, JoAnn Ward, Svetlana Mayer, Heather Hoecker, Glenn Bacher, Jill Wright (*daughter of Jessie Peck*), JV and Jessie Peck, Marilyn Pralle, Lois Bintz, Sam and Caitlyn Meserve, Lyndsie Collins (*granddaughter of Lenora Veloz*), Lori Kelly, Julian Aguilar, Lou Ann O’Neill, Don Young, Geri Ayers (*sister of Jodi Cline*), Rita Rains (*wife of Pastor Butch Rains*), those with dementia and their caregivers, Ann Ozbun, Julie Locke (*Jessie Peck’s daughter*), and Megan Sue (*great niece of Angela Correll*).

Those suffering from cancer and their families: Carol Rackley, Darla Hays, Debbie Deleon, Anastassiya Shvilko (*daughter of Lucy Rule*), Don Riley (*formerly on the Oklahoma District Board of Directors*), Elliot Strutton (*grandson of Rev. David Thompson, First Lutheran, Chickasha, retired*), Michelle Bodenstein (*daughter-in-law of HD and Carla Bodenstein*), Pastor Mozeik and Barb, Leah Stewart (*great-niece of Glenn and Becky Bacher*), Carol Davis, Bruce Ayers (*brother-in-law of Jodi Cline*), Phil Johnston, Leslie Waite, Karen Runsy (*wife of Rev John Runsey, Guthrie*), Ryan Shelton, Leonard Janetzke (*Edie Hunt’s brother*), Elaine Harader, and Ron Sibley.

Prayer Requests

❖ *For those healing from illness, injury, or surgery:*

- Prayers for Ron Sibley (Gary Sibley’s brother) for his recent cancer diagnosis.
- Prayers for Steve Austin (a friend of Dan McGregor) who is experiencing some medical issues.
- Prayers for Meagan Rivera (niece of Deena Loret) for a safe and healthy pregnancy and delivery.
- Prayers for people in our lives that have turned away from God. Help us help them find their way back.

❖ *For prayers of thanksgiving for their service and dedication to First Lutheran Church and School:*

- **Board of Evangelism:** Melinda McCormick, Amanda Cain, Wendy Landes, and Kelli Olechnowicz.

❖ *Prayers for FLCS staff and students for the upcoming school year:*

- Bless the teachers with wisdom, patience, and inspiration.
- Bless the students with curiosity, enthusiasm, and guidance.
- Bless all the staff with encouragement, respect, and the opportunity to grow together.

Do you have a prayer request?

Fill out a prayer request card in the pew and hand it in during the offering, or contact the church office to submit your prayer requests. Standard practice is to leave the prayers on the prayer list for 2 weeks, unless chronic, terminal, or requested otherwise. Please be sure to let us know if we need to update any requests submitted.

Emails can be sent to secretary@flcspc.com or call the office at (580)762-1111.



8/12 J.V. Peck
8/12 Scott Steichen
8/15 Van Peck
8/17 Vicky Dronberger (81)
8/17 Brett Kinkaid
8/18 Craig Stevens
8/19 Janet Ebbesson (81)
8/19 Jordan Linnebur
8/19 Tracy Ogden
8/19 Krystal Ross
8/20 Riley Bergagnini
8/20 Levi Carter
8/20 Kejion Davis (21)
8/20 Ron Roehl
8/24 Trinity Burden (19)
8/24Jennifer Heitman
8/25 Nancy Hildebrand (84)
8/25 Katie Linnebur
8/27 Danny Hurd
8/28 Mia Highley (3)
8/28 Kim Young



8/19 Bob & Kathryn Prescott (70)
8/30 Jim & Karen Bullins (50)
9/3 Bill & Janet Broddle (64)
9/3 John & Lynn Turnipseed (9)
9/4 H.D. & Carla Bodenstein (54)

August
Baptismal Anniversaries



8/1 Aubrie Fredricks
8/1 Debbie Stewart
8/8 Chandler Ogden
8/10 Amanda Carrigan
8/12 Zachary Rodriguez
8/17 Marcella Matthews
8/18 Jordan Linnebur
8/18 Bo Lorenz
8/21 Sara King
8/21 Noah Wagner
8/21 Pierce Wagner
8/26 Bruce Fuller
8/27 Fred Miller
8/28 Christopher Lyons
8/28 KaSandra Lyons
8/28 Mackenzie Lyons
8/28 Don Young
8/29 Yvonne Kolarik
8/30 Ann Ozbun
8/30 J.V. Peck
8/30 Jessie Peck
8/30 Van Peck
8/30 Vanessa Peck
8/30 Wesley Vaughan
8/31 Aspyr Steichen

HONORING OUR MILITARY

Bryan Davis :: US Army, son of Glenn and Becky Bacher
Jake and Cindy Williamson :: US Navy, niece and nephew of Paula Ingmire
Col. Angella Mudd :: US Air Force, daughter of Chris Mudd
Major Nicholas Meier :: USMC, brother of Katie Schelp
Osei Asante :: US Navy, great nephew of Paula Ingmire
Andy Talbot :: Navy Pilot, grandson of Luella Seeliger
Aidan Davenport :: US Air Force, son-in-law of Aaron and Nikki Cawley
Brooke Lyons :: US Army Reserves, granddaughter of Mike and Linda Lyons
Korben Lorett :: US Army, stationed in Alaska
Andrew Hanson :: US Army, great nephew of Doug and Barb Hanson
Alex Kramer :: US Air Force
Jason Highley :: US Navy, brother of Pastor Highley
Caitlynn Doan :: US Army PFC3, daughter of Amanda Carrigan
Maverick Sutton :: US Air Force, great-great nephew of Dolores Barnhart
Saxxon Lorett:: US Army, son of Karl and Deena Lorett